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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Training

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SUBJECT : Programs Division, Progress Report, October 3-9, inclusive
1. During the week, this Division has recommended approval of two requests for non-CIA training, has returned for further information four requests still in suspension and, in effect, has disapproved in the pre-formal stages three requests.
2. A formal request from OIS, for an intra-Agency training program on research techniques has been received in OTR, and a preliminary prospectus has been drafted in this division.
3. Informal, exploratory conversations with CIR/ have been held regarding the possibility of including Agency employees in an informal course on cultural and political history of China designed primarily for clerical personnel. The object is to give this somewhat neglected group
(a) a substantive appreciation for materials they are handling, and (b) a morale booster as a result of this show of interest in their intellectual development. A related similar program was conducted last year in Informal soundings within the Agency indicate considerable interest. I will have further conversations with next week. (In the event this coopera-
tive idea does not materialize, I think we have gained an idea that might be worked out as part of the program of the Intelligence School, with a view to possibly doing the same thing later for other areas).

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